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March 2, 2004

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 3, 4, AND 5 3 VOTES

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Ratify changes in work and accept completed contract work under the following construction contracts:

Project ID No. FCC0000888 - Project No. 6201 Pasadena, Unit 1, Line B and Project No. 9640 Pasadena, Line B and Line C, Invert Repair, vicinities of Pasadena and Altadena (5), Kalban, Inc., with changes in the amount of \$3,350.00, and a final contract amount of \$125,465.00.

Project ID No. FMD0001028 - Channel Right of Way Clearing, 2003, West Maintenance Area, at various locations within the west area of the County (3 and 5), International Environmental Corporation, with changes in the amount of \$9,294.21, and a final contract amount of \$458,997.51.

Project ID No. RMD3346001 - Parking Tree Trimming, RD 336 and 339, et al., vicinities of Malibu, Calabasas, and Agoura Hills (3), George Salinas Tree Preservation, with changes in the amount of \$52.00, and a final contract amount of \$14,352.00.

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Project ID No. TSM0010011 - Golden Springs Drive and Wheeler Avenue, vicinities of Diamond Bar and La Verne (4 and 5), Steiny and Company, Inc., with a final contract amount of \$273,765.28.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

This action is to obtain Board ratification of Director-approved changes in public works contracts and Board acceptance of the work of the contracts in compliance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code. Included in the enclosures are project and contract data, the scope of work of changes to be ratified, and the work of the contracts to be accepted.

The Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Changes to accommodate field conditions in order to meet the intent of the plans and specifications are not subject to this monetary limitation. Enclosed for your ratification are changes in work which I ordered for Project ID Nos. FCC0000888, FMD0001028, and RMD3346001.

The projects have been completed, and it is recommended that your Board accept them on the dates indicated in the enclosures.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The acceptance of these construction contracts is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since acceptance of these completed contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The modifications to the contract amounts range from \$52.00 to \$9,294.21, while the total values of the contracts range from \$14,352.00 to \$458,997.51.

Ratification of the changes in work and acceptance of the work of the respective contracts by your Board is in compliance with the acceptance and prompt payment provisions of the Public Contract Code.

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Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the changes and the total value of each of the contracts. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes together with contract cost summaries are included in the enclosures.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Each of these contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The changes in the work as described above and in the enclosures are within the limits of the Board-approved projects and do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Each contract provided that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of each of the changes were based on contract unit prices, time and materials methods, or were negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the final costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Ratification of the requested changes and acceptance of the work of the contracts by your Board will ensure the timely closeout of the respective contracts, releasing Departmental and County assets for other construction-related activities.

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CONCLUSION

Please return one approved copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES A. NOYES Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office County Counsel Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000888, PROJECT NO. 6201 PASADENA, UNIT 1, LINE B AND PROJECT NO. 9640 PASADENA, LINE B AND LINE C, INVERT REPAIR (in the vicinities of Pasadena and Altadena), Supervisorial District 5

Contractor: Kalban, Inc., 9075 Glenoaks Boulevard, Sun Valley, California 91352.

Project Description:

Repair of deteriorated reinforced concrete pipe and reinforced concrete box storm drains.

Change in Work:

Hydroblast Storm Drain

\$3,350.00

Description of Change:

The sandblasting specified in the project plans to prepare the storm drain for the repair work was ineffective. The contractor was directed to use hydroblasting instead. It will be necessary to compensate the contractor for the additional costs needed for this work including costs already incurred for the sandblasting operations. The cost for this change was negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days were required because of this change.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on October 8, 2003, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$119,115.00
Actual cost of changes in work previously approved by the Board	3,000.00
Change in work authorized by Director of Public Works	3,350.00
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$ <u>125,465.00</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. FMD0001028, CHANNEL RIGHT OF WAY CLEARING, 2003, WEST MAINTENANCE AREA (at various locations within the west area of the County), Supervisorial Districts 3 and 5

<u>Contractor</u>: International Environmental Corporation, P.O. Box 4218, Panorama City, California 91412

Project Description:

Clearing and removal of vegetation and debris from channel right of way and channel lining weep holes, joints, and cracks.

Change in Work:

Additional Dump Fees

\$9,294.21

Description of Change:

The contract specifications provide for an allowance to compensate the contractor for dump fees, with provisions that payment will be based on the actual costs incurred. The dump fees incurred by the contractor exceeded the amount of the allowance by the amount shown. The cost for this change was based on time and materials methods as provided in Section V-C of the contract specifications.

No additional working days were required because of this change.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on November 17, 2003, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$449,703.30
Change in work authorized by Director of Public Works	9,294.21
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$ <u>458,997.51</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. RMD3346001, PARKWAY TREE TRIMMING, RD 336 AND 339, ET AL. (in the vicinities of Malibu, Calabasas, and Agoura Hills), Supervisorial District 3

<u>Contractor</u>: George Salinas Tree Preservation, P.O. Box 84, Placentia, California 92871-0084

Project Description:

Trimming and removal or parkway trees.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities

\$52.00

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on November 19, 2003, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$14,300.00
Changes in work authorized by Director of	
Public Works	<u>52.00</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$ <u>14,352.00</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. TSM0010011, GOLDEN SPRINGS DRIVE AND WHEELER AVENUE (in the vicinities of Diamond Bar and La Verne), Supervisorial Districts 4 and 5

<u>Contractor</u>: Steiny and Company, Inc., 12907 East Garvey Avenue, Baldwin Park, California 91706

Project Description:

Synchronization of traffic signals.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on July 25, 2003, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$195,686.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	78,079.28
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$ <u>273,765.28</u>

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